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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

Small entity status has been claimed. See 37 CFR § 1.27.

A certified copy of __ Patent Application No. __ filed __ from which priorify is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119

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